(c) Price of 10x10's strip of Glybenclamide tablets was notified at Rs. 5.98 on 12th December, 1984.

(d) and (e) The company is liable to pay for the period till they complied with the Government fixed price after May, 1987. Date of implementation of the price would also be know while finalising the recoverable amount.

(f) and (g) The matter is under consideration.

Revision in the prices of Metranidazole and its salts

1329. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry revised the prices of Metranidazole and its salts under DPCO, 1987;

(b) if so, what was the earlier price, what is the present price and what is the percentage change in each;

(c) whether it is a fact that Metranidazole is available at a price of around Rs. 375/- per kg. in the market;

(d) what is the price of Metranidazole take for fixation of formulation prices;

(e) whether it is a fact that his Ministry have revised the prices of finished medicines based on Metranidazole and its salts under DPCO, 1987; and

(f) if so, what was earlier price of each, present price and percentage increase in each case?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The price of Metronidazole which was Rs. 453.30 kg. on 11th April, 1988 was revised to Rs. 482 per kg. on 9th Sept., 1988 resulting in an increase of 6.33 percent.

(c) Some representations to the effect that Metronidazole in selling at price lower than the Government fixed price have been received.

(d) Government fixed price or the purchase price of the drug as the case may be formed the basis for fixation of formulation prices.

(e) and (f) Details in respect of the packs for which ceiling prices have been fixed under DPCO, 1987 are annexed in the statement.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the formulation	Pack Size	Earlier Price (Rs.)	Revised Price (Rs.)	Percentage increase (Rs.)
1	Metronidazole Syrup/Sus. 325mg/5ml	30 ml Bottle	4·89	4·92	0·61
2	Do.	60 ml Bottle	8·16	8.20	0 49
3	Metronidazole Tablets 20 mg/tab.	10' Strip	2.84	3·32	16·90
4	Metronidazole Tablets 400mg/Tab.	10' Strip	4·83	5·60	15·94
5	Metronidazole Sus. 200 mg/5 ml	30 ml Bottle	N.A.	5·66	..
6	Do.	60 ml Bottle	N.A.	9·12	..